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The US Justice Dept. and the States Attorney Generals case to bring down one of the most successful American companies has hurt and is hurting not only consumers like myself... but ALL of the high tech industries. Competitors of Microsoft who were the motivation for this ill advised proceeding have put their self interest above the interests of America. This proceeding has given our GLOBAL competitors precious time to play catchup... providing them with the opportunity to steal our momentum as we lead the world into the Information Age. Enough is enough!!! Please settle this case and lets get back to what we all do best... and if Microsofts compeditors can t compete with better more reliable products... then that is not Mirosofts fault. Consumers like myself will always act in our self interest and buy the superior product at the better price... thats why today I own windows office canvas quicken and other products... not all microsoft... but the ones I consider the best value. Government should not be meddling in free enterprise. Settle this case now so we may get on with life! And our 401K s can recover from the justice departments tragic fumble. Bill Trask